

ERIE CHICAGO FLYER WRECKED; SIX KILLED.

List of Injured Includes Ten, of Whom Some Are Perhaps Mortally Hurt—Wrecked Train Was the Fast Chicago Vestibuled Limited, and the Collision Occurred East of Jamestown.

Cars Broke from a Freight Train Being Sidetracked and Remained on Main Line While Operator, Believing Way was Clear, Signalled to Express All Was Well.

Despatches received at the Erie Railroad offices in this city to-day reported that train No. 4, the Vestibuled Limited from Chicago, due in New York at 3.30 o'clock this afternoon, was wrecked at Redhouse, twenty-six miles this side of Jamestown, N. Y., this morning, and that six were killed and ten injured, while seven are missing.

THE DEAD.

HOTCHKISS, R. S., brakeman, Meadville, Pa.
TWO WOMEN AND A CHILD, unidentified.

THE MISSING.

BARHITE, FRANK, travelling salesman, Jamestown, N. Y.
MCREADY, R. S., mail weigher, Mansfield, O.
TWO UNKNOWN PASSENGERS in a Pullman sleeper and THREE in the day coaches.

THE INJURED.

BELL, R. T., fireman; head and back bruised.
OLMINGER, H. F., mail clerk, Gerry, N. Y.; ribs fractured and body bruised.
COOKE, S. A., colored porter, No. 242 West Sixty-third street, New York; back and ribs injured.
DROUGOUAN, JOHN, Duluth; bruised and badly cut.
FOOTE, Mrs., eighty years old, St. Paul, Minn.; bruised, shocked and sick.
GABLER, E. C., express messenger, Marion, O.; leg cut off, probably fatally hurt.
JOHNSON, C. S., colored porter, Somerville, N. J.; leg fractured.
MESICK, C. W., No. 228 Adams street, Chicago; back badly injured.
PULSIFER, H., No. 131 Liberty street, New York; badly bruised.
ST. SEL, ANNA, No. 639 Leonard street, Brooklyn; shocked and very sick.

The most seriously injured were taken to the Salamanca Hospital, while others were sent to their destinations.

The limited, according to advices, left Jamestown at 3.14 A. M., and was making about fifty miles an hour when it crashed into a freight train which had not made the side track on time at Redhouse.

A report from Jamestown states that the passenger train immediately caught fire and that for a half hour the wildest panic among the imprisoned passengers followed.

WOMEN AND CHILD BURNED.

Two women and one child were burned to death in the forward sleeper. All occupied one berth. It is supposed that the crash rendered them unconscious. They boarded the train at Youngstown, O., and were to have left it at Olean. The railroad officials have been unable to learn their names. Two unidentified passengers were burned to death in the coach and a freight brakeman was killed in the caboose.

The train was composed of a combination baggage and passenger car, a ladies' coach and three sleepers, the Leon, Rubens and Cloverdale. The engineer of the passenger train stuck to his post and escaped injury.

CAUSED BY BREAK OF COUPLING.

The wreck was caused by the breaking of a coupling in the freight train, which was drawn by two locomotives. The break occurred as the freight was being shifted to a siding to allow the limited to pass.

About half the train was left on the main track. When the conductor of the freight discovered that his train had broken in two he uncoupled the front locomotive and sent it down to the station to warn the operator that the track was not clear. Then he had the second locomotive back up to draw the rear end of the train onto the siding.

The operator, seeing the forward locomotive's headlight coming toward him in the fog, thought that the whole train was on the siding and set the signal giving the limited a clear track. In the meantime, the freight train crew, supposing that the operator would be warned in time to set the red signal, were at work on the broken coupling.

The passenger train, with signals showing clear, crashed into the side of the freight at the rate of fifty miles an hour. The locomotive, baggage car, coach and two sleepers left the rails and ran along the level ground for fifty feet diagonally from the track, striking and demolishing a small schoolhouse. Then the wreck took fire.

Advices from Youngstown, O., show that the women and the child changed cars at that point from a train on the Pittsburg and Lake Erie. They are supposed to be from some town north of Pittsburg.

THOUGHT OIL HAD BEEN STRUCK.

The burning wreck flamed high and illumined the territory for miles around. Farmers, who had known that vicinity twenty years ago as an oil field, believed some lucky prospector had again struck oil and had set fire to the accompanying gas supply. They ran to the scene in their excitement, and as they approached the wreck were disillusioned by the frightful hissing of steam and the moans and screams of the injured and dying.

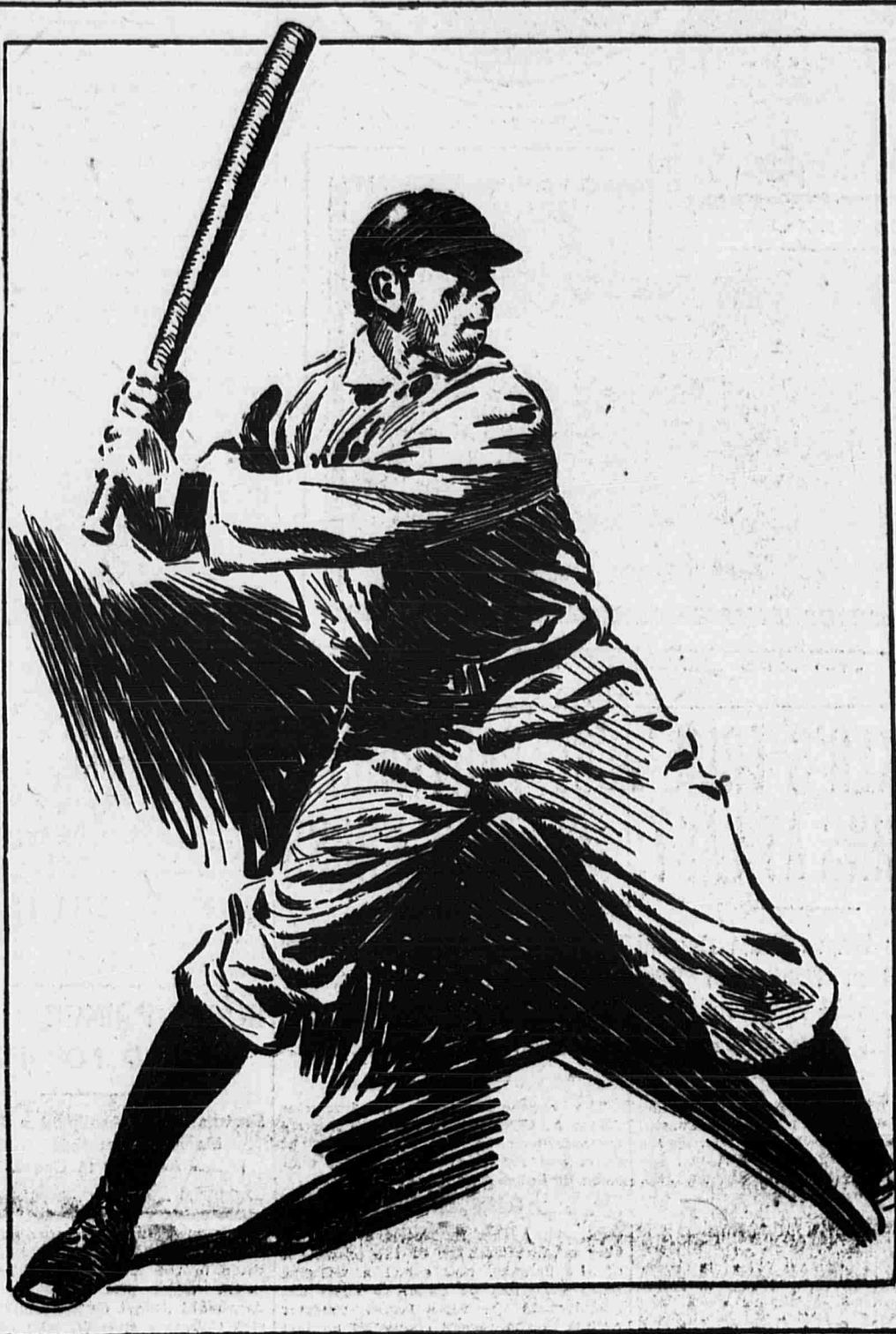
A handcar shed at the side of the tracks was made an impromptu hospital, and the farmers who had come to see the new oil spouter became rescuers and nurses.

The sleeping cars had jammed together so tightly that exit from them could be had only through the windows. In their excitement many of the passengers did not stop to raise the windows, but broke them with their fists and naked feet and then crawled through, receiving severe gashes and cuts from the jagged edges of glass.

A relief train, with surgeons and a wrecking crew, left Salamanca at 5 o'clock for the scene of the wreck. Word of the accident was delayed in reaching the centres where assistance might be secured because of the limited nature of the place where the wreck occurred.

A diagram of the wreck is printed on page 12 of this edition.

CENTRE-FIELDER MERTES, WHO SPRAINED HIS ANKLE AND CAN'T PLAY.



ANIMOSITY, 20 TO 1, WINS THIRD

Flying Buttress, Also at a Good Price, Takes the First, While the Second Goes to the Favorite at Aqueduct.

THE TRACK FAST AT LAST.

THE WINNERS.

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs—Flying Buttress (6 to 1) 1, Royal (16 to 5) 2, Demurrer 3. Time—1:14.

SECOND RACE—Four and one-half furlongs—Bombino (8 to 5) 1, Bruceville (7 to 2) 2, Mimon 3. Time—0:57 1-5.

THIRD RACE—Seven furlongs—Animosity (20 to 1) 1, Torchlight (30 to 1) 2, Past 3. Time—1:28 2-5.

FOURTH RACE—Canarie Stakes; four and a half furlongs—Palm Bearer (4 to 1) 1, Nameoki (13 to 5) 2, Nine Pin 3. Time—0:55.

FIFTH RACE—Seven furlongs—Kickshaw (4 to 1) 1, Oclawaha (4 to 1) 2, Roseland 3.

(Special to The Evening World.)
AQUEDUCT RACE TRACK, N. Y., April 20.—A crowd of 10,000 persons came down to the track this afternoon happy because the weather department had proven to be a dead one so far as its selections were concerned.

The wise weather man sent out "Rain, plume, straight, place and to show." Result—balmey breezes, sunny skies and not a suspicion of moisture. Now the weather man is sending out the same for to-morrow, but the bookies are laying.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 5 P. M. Tuesday for New York City and vicinity: Partly cloudy to-night and Tuesday; fresh northerly winds.

Consult the Schedule.

Passenger trains run at convenient hours to Chicago and St. Louis.

SMALL ZOO WASHED OVERBOARD AT SEA.

Three Elephants and One Hundred Monkeys, Besides Various Other Animals, Are Lost.

William Bartels, the animal dealer, of No. 100 Greenwich street, received word to-day that a number of animals consigned to him from Calcutta had been washed overboard from the steamer Bucania. The steamer, which is due here next Monday, stopped at Boston to discharge part of her cargo. Her captain reported that on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week while off the banks they encountered a gale during which many of the animals, which were on deck, got adrift and were washed overboard. Three elephants, two tigers, four leopards, twenty-six large snakes, forty cranes and 100 monkeys, in all valued at \$7,000, were lost.

COAL MEN TO FACE INTERSTATE BOARD.

Operators Will Be Called to Answer for Alleged Law Violations During the Big Strike.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The members of the Interstate Commerce Commission left to-day for New York City, where they will give a hearing to-morrow in the case brought against the anthracite coal-carrying roads for alleged violations of the Interstate Commerce law during the recent coal strike.

The Presidents of various coal-carrying roads seen in this city this afternoon professed to be little concerned in the hearing by the Interstate Commerce Commission. They claimed they could disprove any claim that there was a combination among them to restrict competition and maintain prices.

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SCORE BY INNINGS.

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LATE RESULTS AT AQUEDUCT.

Sixth Race—Saccharometer 1, Illyria 2, Court Maid 3.

WILLIAM K. VANDERBILT GETS PERMIT FROM JUSTICE GIEGERICH TO BE MARRIED AGAIN.

William K. Vanderbilt got the permission of the Supreme Court this afternoon to marry again. Justice Giegerich signed the order in his private room on the application of Mr. Vanderbilt's attorney, Henry B. Anderson. He asked for a modification of the decree of absolute divorce granted to Alvah E. Vanderbilt in 1895, and under which Mr. Vanderbilt was forbidden to remarry. Mr. Anderson's petition was very short, setting forth these facts and that Mr. Vanderbilt had lived an exemplary life since the divorce decree.

BENDETTO'S WIDOW SAYS HE WROTE FROM NEW YORK. BUFFALO, N. Y., April 20.—Mrs. Meduena Bendetto, widow of the barrel victim in New York, said this afternoon that her husband had sent \$10 to Salvatore Macoloso, at No. 40 Houston street, New York, and that the last letter she received from him was sent from that address.

No one named Macoloso lives at the number given.

NEW YORKS TAKE LEAD IN THIRD.

"Mute" Taylor Is Put in the Box by Giants' Manager, and a Small Army of Other "Mutes" Cheer the Twirler with Fingers.

THIELMAN SENDS THEM OVER FOR BROOKLYN.

Another Big Crowd Assembles at the Polo Grounds to See Third Game Between New Yorkers and Trolley Dodgers

The Batting Order,
New York. Brooklyn.
Brown, rf. Strange, 3b.
Van Halten, cf. McCree, rf.
McGinn, lb. Sheppard, lf.
Mertes, c. Householder, cf.
Babb, ss. Doyle, lb.
Lauder, 2b. Dahlin, ss.
Gibber, 3b. Flood, 2b.
Warner, c. Jones, c.
Taylor, p. Ahearn, p.
Umpire, Moran.

POLO GROUNDS, NEW YORK, April 20.—Hoping to see the Giants again trounce Ned Hanlon's pets, another great crowd thronged to the Polo Grounds this afternoon. With a record of nearly 50,000 people in two days Secretary Knowles said he would be satisfied if only Burkeville Roost filled up and the quality folk made a fair showing in the grand stand. But as the minutes ticked past and the elevated trains began to disgorge their human freight it was plain that you cannot keep New Yorkers away from their favorite game any more than you could stop Abe Hummel from attending first nights at a Broadway theatre.

Old familiar faces loomed up one after another in the black seething line that wormed its way down the long crooked steps. The stout red-faced man in the frock coat and silk hat who wanted to join the Empire O'Day on Saturday grabbed his bashful daughter Celeste and made a flying wedge.

Poor Celeste! If she does not deserve sympathy, then who does? Stout papa, red-faced and perspiring, poked "Fat" Taylor, himself a mute, will do the twirling for New York.

The copper who looks like Chalmers Depew made signs with his club. Now the restaurant man believes in signs. The mob opened a passage for Marshall Wilder, but closed in on poor Joe Taylor, the Giants' new mascot, and Joe nearly lost his "equilibrium." Taylor was picked up last week by Johnny McGraw, who shed tears of joy as he heard the crippled negro shout "Well, Well!"

The New Mascot's Hope.
"If I kin only see dese boys win dat old rag," said Joe, "ah deem' mind it ah do go ter Potter's Field. You might not believe it, Marse McGraw, but I done played against de Giants in 1882, when ah was ketcher fer de Cuban Centipedes. This heah ol' coon'll bust his throat holier'n you heah me!" And now come the Giants, two by two.

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H. H. ROGERS UNDER SURGEON'S KNIFE.

Stood Operation Well, but His Age Causes His Friends to Fear.

H. H. Rogers, the Standard Oil millionaire, who was rushed to this city from the South a few days ago ill with appendicitis, was operated upon to-day at his home, No. 6 East Fifty-seventh street.

His condition after the operation was said by the surgeons to be satisfactory, but as he is sixty-two years old, some apprehension is felt for him. A week ago it was said that Mr. Rogers had recovered from his illness and the patient started on another trip. A relapse occurred in Connecticut and Mr. Rogers was hurried back to his home last night in a special train. The operation was performed this morning by Dr. Andrew J. McCosh, assisted by the two family physicians, Drs. Henry T. Walker and C. C. Rice. At 1 o'clock this morning the patient was pronounced to be a distinct case of appendicitis and an immediate operation was considered necessary. This was performed at 2:30 o'clock this morning. The appendix was removed. While not yet out of danger, his condition is satisfactory.

SUSPECTS KNEW BENDETTO, THE BARREL VICTIM.

It Came Out in Court This Afternoon that the Man Who Was Found Murdered in East Eleventh Street Had Been Associated with Some of the Prisoners Accused of Killing Him.

FIRST CLUE TO IDENTITY LED THE DETECTIVES TO SING SING.

There Was Found Joseph de Prima, Who When Shown The Evening World's Photograph of the Dead Man Promptly Exclaimed, "That's Bendetto!"—The Secret Service Men Confirm Identification.

Maduena Bendetto, the Buffalo Italian, who has been identified positively as the victim in the great barrel murder mystery, was definitely traced to-day to association with some of the men under arrest as suspects in the case. Three of them were held in Jefferson Market Court, one, Lupo, on a charge of counterfeiting, and the others, Lorenzo Labaido and Giuseppe Fanele, for perjury.

It was brought out in the examination of Fanele that he called at the office of Lawyer John J. Connell about two weeks ago in company with Bendetto. They wanted to find out about Bendetto's brother-in-law, Joseph De Prima, a counterfeiter, who is serving a term in Sing Sing. Men who were in the office at the time went to the Morgue to-day and identified Bendetto from his appearance and his clothing.

The examination of the suspects was postponed after the three mentioned had been disposed of. The authorities are waiting to hear from Detective-Sergeant Petrosini, who went to Buffalo this morning. He will find out why Bendetto left his home and came to New York. The police believe that he was lured here to be assassinated, and that at least one man was brought all the way from Italy to do the job.

Warden Johnson, of Sing Sing, identified pictures of the dead man as those of a man who called on Joe de Prima a week ago last Saturday. The warden received him. The caller asked that the prisoner be told that Bendetto was there to see him. De Prima came down and the two had a talk together for half an hour. Then the man went away. De Prima refused to see reporters to-day.

HIS SON IDENTIFIES HIM.

An Evening World correspondent went to the home of Bendetto in Buffalo this afternoon with a copy of this newspaper of last Tuesday. Salvatore Bendetto, a son of the murdered man, produced a photograph of his father. This photograph and The Evening World photograph taken in the Morgue were found to be identical.

"It is certainly my father," said Salvatore. "He has been away from home for about two weeks. The last we heard of him he was in New York. This was nearly two weeks ago. He wrote then that he was coming home. Since then we have not heard."

The identification was in many respects brought about as strangely as was the raid on the thirteen Italian suspects. Out of this raid and the seizure of papers resulting from it will probably come the clearing up of the mystery.

FIRST IDENTIFICATION DRAMATIC.

From letters found in the effects of the suspects under arrest the police learned that Joseph De Prima, serving a four years' sentence for counterfeiting in Sing Sing, is a brother-in-law of Bendetto. Detective-Serg. Petrosini went to Sing Sing taking with him a copy of The Evening World photograph. He showed it to De Prima, who promptly fainted away.

"It is my brother-in-law Bendetto," he said, when he had recovered. "He was up to see me a week ago yesterday and said he would start back to Buffalo the next day."

The identification of the dead man as George Morrisette, the professional strike breaker from Waterbury, Conn., was exploded simultaneously with confirmation of the Buffalo identification. Mrs. Morrisette examined the body in the Morgue and said that it was not that of her husband, although she admitted that the resemblance was striking.

The thirteen prisoners were arraigned in Jefferson Market Court this afternoon, when Lorenzo Labaido, one of the suspects, was held on a charge of perjury. This man came from Italy on March 16 last, and there is a suspicion that he was sent to New York solely for the purpose of doing away with Bendetto.

THE SUSPECTS ARRAIGNED IN COURT.

The thirteen Italians were arraigned before Magistrate Barlow in his private examination room. They were represented by Charles Le Barbier, Henry Goldsmith and John Connell, all former Deputy Assistant District Attorneys. Mr. Le Barbier made a formal application for the discharge of Ignazio Lupo.

"I agree," said Assistant District Attorney Garvan, "but I would like to ask Lupo a few questions."

With the consent of Mr. Le Barbier Lupo was questioned at length. Shown a photograph of the murdered man he said he never saw him. Secret Service Agent Henry then took charge of the examination and confused Lupo slightly with questions about various trials of counterfeiters in the Federal building, which Lupo admitted that he might have attended. He finally said that he thought he knew Joseph De Prima, the brother-in-law of the dead man.

"Did you know Maduena Bendetto?" he was asked.
Lupo, glancing rapidly around the circle of interested faces before him, answered that he did not. The twelve men who had been arrested with him were also asked questions. The twelve men who had been arrested with him were also asked questions.

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